

Thirty-Ninth Annual Report

OF THE

Tasmanian Institution

FOR THE

BLIND, DEAF and DUMB

TOGETHER WITH

ACCOUNTS and BALANCE SHEET, year ended 30 6 36
(Appendix "A")

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30 6 36 (Appendix "B")

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Tasmanian Institution

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1936-37



Patron:

His Excellency Sir Ernest Clark, K.C.B., C.B.E., Governor of Tasmania.

Board of Management :

President: Professor E. Morris Miller, M.A., Litt.D.
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Honorary Treasurer and Chairman Finance and Industrial
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Members: Mesdames D. C. McLaren. T. H. Goddard, T. C. Simpson;
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Honorary Professional Officers:

Physician: Dr. C. F. Hodgkinson. Aural Surgeon: Dr. J. Stoddart
Barr. Oculists: Dr. W. Counsell, Dr. G. H. Hogg, Dr. J. L.
R. Carter. Ophthalmic Surgeon: Dr. J. Bruce Hamilton. Neuro-
logist: Dr. E. A. Rogers. Pathologist: Dr. J. H. Walch. Den-
tists: Messrs. McChristie and Hean. Dispensers: Messrs. Pal-
freyman and Son. Solicitors: Messrs. Simmons, Wolfhagen,
Simmons and Walch.

Staff:

Superintendent and Secretary: Lieut.-Colonel L. H. Payne, D.S.O.,
V.D., J.P. Revenue Organiser: Mr. S. T. Ellis. Accountant
and Cashier: Miss M. Lennane. Matron: Miss L. M. Lyne.
Sub-Matron: Miss B. M. Fisher. Officer in Charge of Factory:
Mr. T. Parkinson.

Educational:

Head Teacher: Miss U. Salmon. Teachers: Mr. F. S. Smith, L.A.B.;
Misses I. Salvado, M. Wright, W. Percy-Dove. Music: Mr. F.
S. Smith, L.A.B., Mr. J. Scott-Power.

Welfare Officers:

Adult Blind: Miss B. Rowntree.
Adult Deaf and Dumb: Mr. F. Williams.

BEQUESTS AND DONATIONS OVER £50



	£		£		
1894	R. Corsnip Smith	150	1928	Anonymous	100
1900	Mrs. Drysdale	200		Mrs. Susannah Agnes	
1901	Miss Ada Grey Wilson	500		Moore	466
1902	Joseph Batt	20	1929	Anonymous	100
1904	"One Who Sympathises"	100		Thomas Normoyle	100
1905	Mrs. A. H. Ball	150		Alfred Ibbott	500
1908	C. D. Haywood	25		Anonymous	100
1909	Mrs. E. B. Griggs	989	1930	T. & C. Bourke Memorial	
	Robt. Kidd	100		Trust Annual Income	
1910	Miss A. M. Smith	470		David Barclay	500
1912	Mrs. L. Rogers	2000		-36 Robert Cairns	3400
	Miss Cleburn	100		-34 Miss Catherine Jones	100
	Mrs. Whitehead	250		Miss Florence Sprent ..	50
1913	A. H. Kennedy	100	1931	J. G. Mitchell	250
1914	John Bailly	25		-36 Elizabeth Bourke ..	*399
	G. S. Crouch	50		Mrs. S. M. Belcher	725
1915	Miss L. Macdonald	500	1932-36	Miss Elizabeth Fall ..	4270
1916	Miss Margaret Brumby	1922		-33 Miss Maria Allen ..	133
	Martin Jackson	80		Miss Rebecca Cox	50
1917	Miss Emma Mills	300		Mrs. Anne Darling	100
1919	E. Clutterbuck	500		A. Spencer Brownell ..	50
1920	Herbert Head	211		Henry Bourke	50
	T. Fawdry	50	1933	Miss L. L. Whitesides ..	100
	F. W. Piesse	50	1934	Miss Rose Annie Coombe	50
	Miss Letitia Marshall ..	974		Claude Septimus Clerk	500
	Monsignor Gilleran	25		F. G. Harvey Latham ..	250
	J. Griggs	71		Mrs. S. L. Atkinson	100
	J. Davidson	100	1935	George A. Green	250
1922	Mrs. Helen Seabrook ..	150		Mrs. Emily Bidencepe ..	100
1923	Mrs. M. L. Palfreyman	100		Mrs. Susan Ward	200
1924	Mrs. M. Backhouse	100		Miss Amy Amelia Allen	2800
1927	Wm. Rousell	100	1936	Mrs. Catherine Hartnoll	*2000
	Mrs. Elizabeth Sarah			Mrs. Margaret Annie ..	
	Scott	100		Payne	20
	Mrs. John H. Hart	200		Miss C. M. Box	*45
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TO THE MEMBERS OF THE INSTITUTION

Ladies and Gentlemen,

The Board of Management presents the thirty-ninth Annual Report for the year ending 30th June, 1936.

Side by side with steady routine in each of the Institution's departments, progressive development in education technique and in industrial and social effectiveness has marked the year's work.

Perhaps the greatest difficulty by which the Institution is confronted is that of finding employment outside its own departments for its deaf pupils on their reaching the school leaving age of sixteen years. In times of industrial prosperity, when the supply of labour fell short of the demand, the problem was not quite so acute as it has been in recent years. The expectation would seem to be a natural one that public bodies and departments would share with private employers the employment of those who, although undoubtedly handicapped by their inability to hear, when provided with employment within their capacity almost invariably prove their efficiency.

It must be recorded, however, that the experience in this state is quite the reverse, and that with the sole exception of one deaf mute employed as a casual labourer by one of the municipal divisions of the state, the Institution's efforts to secure employment for the deaf in either state or municipal departments have invariably failed. In spite of all that has been said to correct the entirely erroneous belief that the absence of hearing renders the deaf mute inevitably liable to accident, those in a position to render assistance in this direction continue to "turn down" applications made on behalf of the deaf. Admittedly deaf mutes could scarcely be expected to operate many kinds of rapidly moving machinery with safety, but that they are capable of operating machinery with safety is demonstrated daily in the factory of the Institution, where a considerable portion of the drilling of brush stocks is carried out by deaf mutes with electrically belt-driven drills. That the risk is not an undue one is attested by the fact that it is accepted by insurance companies under workers' compensation insurance policies.

What is not realised is that the deaf mute, as distinct from the hard of hearing and the deafened, has never heard, and in consequence relies for his safety on what he sees, and the rarity with which deaf mutes are involved in accidents testifies to the fact that this reliance is not misplaced.

The invariably helpful co-operation of Government and municipal officers in many other directions is gratefully acknowledged and notwithstanding the disappointment attending this failure so far to find suitable employment in state or municipal services for some of the deaf boys who recently left, or are due to leave the school, the Board hopes that the prevailing prejudice may gradually be overcome. Given a desire on the part of those in authority to understand and a willingness on that of their foremen to exercise the little extra patience that may be necessary in the first stages, both may feel assured that the presence of a deaf mute on their pay roll is not a serious disadvantage.

To those private employers and foremen who have already given a lead in this matter, the Institution is under a debt of gratitude for their contribution towards its objective of saving our deaf people, through congenial and useful employment, from the risk of that deplorable and pitiable condition which has been graphically and understandingly described as "loneliness of the soul."

BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

Mr. G. V. Brooks and Mrs. T. H. Goddard returned from their visits overseas, and Messrs. G. A. Walch and J. W. Clinch have been granted leave of absence on visiting England and Japan respectively.

Mrs. Goddard took advantage of her visit to New York to see something of what is being done for the blind in the U.S.A., and brought back useful information regarding the latest development in the provision of literature for the sightless.

It is pleasing to report the recovery of Capt. F. Marriott, C.M.G., M.H.A., from his severe illness and his ability to represent the Board at functions at Launceston, Devonport and Burnie.

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Numbers enrolled in this department have undergone changes as shown in the following table:—

	Blind		Sight-Saving		Deaf		Total
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	
On roll 1/7/35	6	4	1	3	11	5	30
Enrolled during year . .	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Discharged	2	1	1	2	-	-	6
Remaining 30/6/36 . . .	4	3	-	1	12	5	25

Two of the four non-resident pupils attend the Hobart State High School.

Hopes that the statutory age for the admission of handicapped children, particularly the deaf, would be reduced to five years have not yet been realised. The process of education, in the case of a

normal child commences many years before school age is reached. Through his sense of hearing he first receives the impulse to imitate his parents' speech, and the dawn of understanding follows the constant, though unnoticed, repetition of spoken language forms. For example, a vividly coloured object becomes recognised first as "ball," then as "pretty ball," and after many days as "Baby's pretty ball." Ultimately its absence prompts the question "Where pretty ball?" and so comes about the liberation of those "six honest serving-men," What? and Why? and When? and How? and Where? and Who? by whose persistent employment their young master satisfies his natural curiosity and adds to his vocabulary, to his store of knowledge and to his understanding. He embarks on his school career, therefore, at seven years of age with advantages, as compared with a deaf child, the familiarity and ordinariness of which make their value and importance almost unappreciated.

If it is considered necessary that with these advantages his school education should commence at seven years of age, how much more essential is earlier skilled teaching to the child to whom the ball continues to be merely a nameless object, and into whose mind understanding can only enter when those honest serving-men imprisoned there in impotence become liberated by the key of language.

During the formative years of the child's infancy and early childhood when the learning faculties are most plastic and impressionable, the parents of the deaf child have been entirely at sea regarding his intellectual development. The child himself has been puzzled and mystified by the most ordinary happenings, and frustrated at every turn in his efforts to inform himself and to understand what goes on even in his own little world. No amount of parental care and devotion can in ordinary circumstances compensate that child in later life for the absence of the earliest sources of knowledge, and the movement to have his school education commence at five years of age under skilled and specially trained teachers is an effort to make good at least a portion of what he has missed and what his hearing brother has so easily and naturally acquired. The Board earnestly hopes that the matter will be seen in this light both by parents and by legislators.

New ground has been broken in the teaching of the blind by arranging for the girls of the school to have lessons in elementary cooking. They are taught under sighted supervision by a partially blind woman who has exhibited commendable skill in adapting herself to this work.

In reply to an enquiry received from the League of Nations, the Institution expressed the opinion that notification of blindness and deafness as soon as discovered should be made compulsory and representations have been made accordingly to the State Government. The present position is that, unless parents take the initiative, which in too many cases they fail to do, the Institution is dependent upon entirely fortuitous information regarding the existence of blind and deaf children, frequently with the regrettable result that their admission to the school is effected too late to be of much practical benefit to them.

Three pupils of the sight-saving class, after treatment by the Institution's honorary oculist, were discharged to their homes to continue their studies at ordinary schools. The Board likes to think that the facilities provided by the Institution may perhaps have had the effect of saving these young people from much more serious defect of sight and possibly from total blindness.

The annual prize giving was held in December at St. James' Hall, and was attended by Hon. E. J. Ogilvie, Minister for Education, and a large number of friends of the Institution. A programme of items prepared under the direction of the teachers was creditably presented by the children, who received their prizes from the hands of Mrs. A. G. Ogilvie, wife of the State Premier. Out of the proceeds of this and similar occasions the material was purchased for a dressing shed for the school at Cornelian Bay, for the erection of which the Institution is indebted to a working bee organised by Mr. Bruce Davis, a Hobart builder and contractor.

Under the watchful care of the Marton, Miss L. M. Lyne, the health of the children has been uniformly good, with the exception of a mild outbreak of measles. Miss Lyne's health, however, caused some concern and necessitated her being granted six months' leave from May. Sister A. M. Duffy was appointed Acting Matron during her absence.

HIGHER EDUCATION

Of the two blind boys attending the State High School, where they are members of a class of 53 boys, at the examinations held in December one gained 11th place, with the highest marks for French, while at the terminal examination in April the other was at the top of the class in geography. The subject of arithmetic presents more than ordinary difficulty, due to the greater time required to set and carry out the work with the special arithmetic slate used.

The university student referred to in last year's report as having embarked on an arts course succeeded in passing in English I., and General History of England I., and gained a distinction in Education I.

These three young people receive coaching and other assistance from many quarters, and in the results they have so far achieved give recognition of their desire to reflect credit upon their teachers and themselves. Members will join the Board in extending to them congratulations on their success and best wishes for the future.

DEMONSTRATION CLASS

At odd times during the year demonstration classes from the school visited centres within easy reach of Hobart, calls being paid at Kempton and Bothwell in December, Triabunna and Swansea in March, Margate and Woodbridge in May, and Hamilton and Ouse in June. Everywhere the class was received with warm hospitality, and the demonstrations were attended by large and sympathetic audiences. As a result of the visits local interest in the work of the Institution was aroused and a greater understanding gained of its aims and its problems.

INDUSTRIAL DEPARTMENT

Numbers for whom employment has been found in this department during the year are as follows:—

	BLIND		DEAF	
	Male.	Female.	Male.	Total.
On roll 1/7/35	25	3	3	31
Admitted during year	5	1	3	9
Discharged	1	1	-	2
Remaining 30/6/36	29	3	6	38

The absorption of the numbers of blind and deaf seeking employment has been considerably facilitated by the remodelling of the factory during the previous year, and although the accommodation is not yet fully taxed the maximum number for whom employment could comfortably be provided in the existing building is steadily being approached.

The Board has under consideration the adoption of a scheme providing for the retirement of blind and deaf workers becoming unemployable through age or infirmity, regarding which an early announcement is anticipated.

Employment is now being found for 32 blind and 6 deaf operatives as against 15 and 2 respectively ten years ago. In order to balance as far as possible the increased numbers, the policy of the department has been to reduce to a minimum the manufacture of costly materials and to encourage within reasonable and economic limits the use of the less expensive fibres and other brushware materials. At the same time a watchful eye is kept upon the quality of the factory products and on the elimination of waste. Increasing turnover without any noticeable increase in the cost per head of handicapped operatives bears out the wisdom of this course.

In consequence of the increasing numbers employed in the factory and with an eye to the future, it was considered advisable to appoint a sighted and hearing junior assistant.

Total sales for the year amounted to £4790, a gratifying increase of over £800 on the revenue from this source for the previous year.

HOME OCCUPATIONS AND WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Owing to the demands on the time of the Welfare Officer by the high school and university students for coaching, preparing maps, etc., binding notes and general assistance, it has been found necessary to restrict for the time being the activities of this department. With the assistance, however, of two part-time assistants—one sighted and one partially blind—it has been possible to maintain the services already in existence to individual blind persons in Hobart. Indeed, the help of those two ladies has permitted the enrolment of a small number of additional cases for attention.

Tatting, hemming, knitted and woollen garments and crochet bead work are purchased from the sightless makers, most of whom are pensioners earning in this way the means to purchase needs for which their pension is inadequate. Simple cooking is taught to

some, while to others visits are paid to bring brightness into lives that otherwise would be unimaginably drab and hopeless. In this way mental uplift and encouragement are extended to those most in need of them.

The Board would pay a tribute of unstinted admiration to those blind persons who, in the seclusion of their own homes in city and country and actuated by a wonderful spirit of self-dependence, go about their daily occupations with no word of complaint, shedding the radiance of the finest human qualities of cheerfulness in the face of adversity on all round them. One of these splendid women, when called on by an officer of the Institution, was busily engaged in pressing her husband's trousers. Another, fully occupied in the preparation of the midday meal for her fatherless family, spared a few moments to demonstrate how she succeeds in humouring the vagaries of a fuel stove without detriment to the dinner being cooked. The certain touch of the sightless poultry fancier as he handles his show birds proves that sight is not an entirely indispensable sense.

From the courage, resource and adaptability of such lives as these, unfailing inspiration is drawn by the Institution's officers to encourage and lead others to attempt to do likewise, and discerning visitors to the welfare department during any of its social or industrial periods most frequently find that their natural feeling of pity for the fancied helplessness of the blind is forced to give way to a sense of revelation of something to which words can only with difficulty be fitted.

For the effective display and disposal of the products of sightless fingers of home workers, a separate show window is essential, and the Board hopes that provision will shortly be made for the remodelling of the shop front of the Government-owned premises at 79 Bathurst-street, occupied by the Institution as a retail depot.

LOCAL COMMITTEES

Again the Institution has been laid under a most readily acknowledged debt of gratitude by local committees in many parts of the state. In spite of unceasing demands upon the time and sympathetic energies of public-spirited men and women—mostly women—by purely local needs, service of a very high order continues to be rendered to the Institution by either committees especially established for the purpose, or by already existing organisations, such as the Victoria League, Red Cross Society, A.W.N.L., and, in a number of cases, by parents and friends' associations connected with state schools.

The efficiency of voluntary effort in the raising of funds has been established beyond question. This is attested by the unfailing regularity with which some committees succeed in raising the full quota of the Institution's financial needs allotted to their municipalities, and by the determination with which others not so uniformly successful set about making good some temporary slip in their figures, usually occasioned by unforeseen and uncontrollable circumstances such as the illness of a secretary, bad weather conditions, or some particularly hard case of local need.

A perusal of the summary of subscriptions, donations, etc., published as Appendix "B" of this report reveals some interesting details. During the year under review:—

- 17 Municipalities produced 100 per cent. or more of their quota,
- 7 Municipalities produced between 75 per cent. and 100 per cent.,
- 7 Municipalities produced between 50 per cent. and 75 per cent.,
- 4 Municipalities produced between 25 per cent. and 50 per cent.,
- 7 Municipalities produced under 25 per cent.

These results compare more than favourably with those of former periods, while the fact that in five cases an average of not less than 100 per cent. has been maintained for ten years speaks volumes for the tenacity and resource of the committees concerned.

To all the local committees the best thanks of the Board are due, and they are congratulated heartily on their success. Some have endured difficulties that are fully understood, and to those the Board expresses the hope that they will not be discouraged by any temporary setbacks they may experience but will find them an inducement to face the task ahead with renewed vigour and determination.

This section would not be complete without reference to the loss sustained by the Institution and by its Launceston Auxiliary Committee in the death of Miss M. Lindus, who for several years occupied the position of honorary secretary of the latter body. Her contribution to the success of that committee is remembered with sincere gratitude.

BEQUESTS

During the year bequests have been received from the estates of the following deceased friends of the Institution:—

Susan Ward, £200; Catherine Hartnoll, £2000; Elizabeth Bourke, £250; Margaret Annie Payne, £20; Elizabeth Fall, £270 (supplementary allocation).

In accordance with the established policy of the Board, these amounts have been invested in approved securities, the income from which will augment the revenue from such investments by £109.

LIFE MEMBERS

To the list of those on whom life membership has been bestowed in recognition of services to the Institution the name of Mrs. A. C. Jenkins, now president of the Launceston Auxiliary Committee, was added during the year.

Nominations are awaited from committees at Queenstown and Richmond, from which municipalities an average of not less than 100 per cent. of the annual quota has been contributed during the past five years, thus attaining the qualifications entitling them to nominate a life member of the Institution.

PREVENTION OF BLINDNESS AND DEAFNESS

It is gratifying to know that at a recent meeting of the Federal Health Council reference was made to the desirability of enquiring into the prevention of blindness and deafness.

This matter has been engaging the attention of certain of the Institution's specialists for some time past, but research and enquiry have been seriously hampered by the almost entire absence of dependable statistics regarding the incidence of these disabilities. The Board welcomes the action of the Federal Health Council as indicating an official interest in the matter, and hopes that it may lead to the laying of a useful foundation on which to build for the future in the education of the public in preventive measures.

RADIO SETS

An unusual avenue for the Institution's radio service was suggested in the case of a widow whose hearing had partially failed, and who in a letter to the Institution wrote: "I had not heard a church service for over twenty years until I heard it over the wireless that you loaned my blind husband." The widow has been permitted to retain the use of the set, with satisfactory results. The present allocation of sets, however, restricts their use by hard of hearing associates of the Institution to this one case, and further development in this direction must be postponed until funds can be made available for the provision of additional sets.

TALKING BOOKS

During the year advice came to hand from the National Institute for the Blind, London, of the perfection of plans for the production of talking books.

The Board is very anxious that the blind of Tasmania should derive early and complete benefit from any new device that may be adopted for the blind by the leading organisations of the world, and that their residence in these comparatively distant parts should not debar them from participation in the benefits resulting from overseas research and ingenuity.

A "Talking Book" reproducing machine has been ordered to initiate this service, and the proprietors of the "Mercury" have been good enough to place their columns at the disposal of the Institution for raising a special "Talking Book" fund for the expansion of the service.

ADULT DEAF

The economic and social needs of this section of the community are fairly well provided for through the combined agencies of private employers and other citizens and the Institution, and further measures are under consideration which aim at placing the deaf on an equal footing with other sections of society.

In the meantime, the biennial interstate gatherings of the deaf play an important educational part in their lives, and the Board is pleased to be able to co-operate with them to some degree in the arrangements, a fair share of the cost of which is borne by the deaf themselves.

FINANCIAL

The accounts and balance-sheet for the year (see Appendix "A") disclose the fact that, while the year's income was sufficient to meet casual expenditure, the provision of adequate reserves for various accounts involved a loss on general revenue account of £494.

The addition to capital account of the amount of legacies received during the period, viz., £2522 11s 10d, after making provision for the increase of £270 to the Elizabeth Fall Endowment

Fund and for the loss on revenue referred to, results in a net increase on account of capital of £2028 9s 4d.

The sum of £648 is in hand to commence the new period, but this amount is sufficient to carry on the work for barely three months and the maintenance of a favourable financial position depends entirely on a more or less steady stream of revenue by way of public contributions. This the Board is happily in a position to anticipate, through the splendid organisation of local committees, to the excellence of whose work reference is made elsewhere in this report, and to the unfailing generosity of the public when presented with well organised opportunities to contribute to the Institution's needs.

Unusually heavy inroads on revenue were occasioned by the replacement of the kitchen range, renovation of portion of the school buildings, and improvements to the grounds. The convenience and safety of the blind demand still further attention to the communications within the grounds of the Institution, and a progressive programme of improvements in the direction of permanently surfacing paths, and levelling and grassing recreation areas is in hand.

HONORARY OFFICERS

To its honorary professional advisors the Board owes renewed thanks for ready and unremitting attention to the many matters on which their guidance has been sought.

It is pleasing to be able to announce the acceptance by Dr. J. L. R. Carter, of Launceston, of appointment as honorary oculist in addition to Dr. G. H. Hogg.

CONCLUSION

The foregoing review will indicate the many-sided character of the demands made upon the Institution, in the satisfaction of which success can only be attained by the co-operation of many sections of the community. This co-operation, the Board is pleased to record, is generally forthcoming in full measure, and fortified by this knowledge it enters upon the new period with renewed confidence that the unchecked continuance of its important services to those to whom light and sound are unknown or forgotten is assured.

This report may fittingly be brought to a conclusion with an appeal for determined effort on the part of all to understand fully the nature of the handicap under which our people labour, their wonderful courage and adaptability to the circumstances in which they find themselves, and the part that those in authority ought to play in placing within their reach economic usefulness, social and intellectual exercise and mental contentment; and finally with an expression of sincere thanks to governments,—state and municipal—and their officers, to the growing list of organisations, public and private, and to individual citizens for their assistance and encouragement, without which the work of the Institution would be quite impossible.

E. MORRIS MILLER, President.

L. H. PAYNE, Superintendent and Secretary.

21/9/36.

TASMANIAN INSTITUTION FOR THE BLIND, DEAF AND DUMB

MANUFACTURING, TRADING AND WORKING ACCOUNTS AND BALANCE SHEET FOR THE YEAR
ENDED JUNE 30, 1936.

FACTORY AND TRADING AND PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
To Opening Stock, 1/7/35	1662	12	3	By Cash Sales	763	0 8
" Purchases	2116	11	4	" Credit Sales	4181	12 0
" Depreciation of Plant	7	3	7			
" Wages	2480	6	7			
" Rent	90	0	0	" Less Sales Tax	4944	12 8
" General Expenses	203	12	1		149	7 10
" Discount Allowed	19	10	2	" Net Sales	4795	4 10
" Repairs	26	3	4	" Stock at 30/6/36	1630	4 7
				" Loss carried down to General Revenue	180	9 11
				Account		
	£6605	19	4		£6605	19 4

SCHOOL WORKING ACCOUNT.

	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
To Wages and Salaries	575	4	2	By Maintenance Contributions—			
" Purchases—				Government	£420	0	0
Foodstuffs	£245	14	3	Parents	72	16	4
Clothing	20	7	11				
				" Loss Carried Down to General Revenue	492	16	4
Depreciation—Furniture and Equipment	266	2	2	Account	875	14	8
" Light, Fuel, etc.	44	14	2				
" General Expenses	148	15	1				
" Repairs and Replacements	137	12	9				
" Bad Debts—Maintenance Fees	146	11	5				
" Bad Debts—Clothing Debtors	30	0	8				
	19	10	7				
	£1368	11	0				
					£1368	11	0

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GENERAL REVENUE ACCOUNT.

	£	s.	d.
To Loss on Factory Working	180	9	11
" Loss on School Working	875	14	8
" Organising Expenses	254	6	4
" Management and Office Salaries and Expenses	1062	18	2
" Doubtful Debts Reserve	33	17	4
" Depreciation—			
Office Furniture	6	3	11
Office Welfare Furniture	1	3	0
" Contingencies Reserve	50	0	0
" Welfare Expenses re Blind	333	3	11
Augmentation of Wages re Blind	1639	14	2
" Welfare Expenses re Deaf	44	18	8
" Rosetta Farm—			
Insurance, Rates and Repairs	15	14	9
Reserve for Depreciation of Building	100	0	0
	£4598	4	10

To balance brought down	494	2	6
" Balance Transferred to Capital Account	2028	9	4
	£2522	11	10

	£	s.	d.
By Government Subsidy	1350	0	0
" Proceeds Entertainments	17	8	8
" Local Committees	1179	16	7
" Rose Day Appeal	264	19	3
" Subscriptions and Donations	459	12	1
" Rental—Tennis Court	4	9	6
" Interest Earned	721	6	3
" Rosetta Farm Rent	106	10	0
" Net Loss Carried Down	494	2	6
	£4598	4	10

	£	s.	d.
By Legacies	2522	11	10
	£2522	11	10

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT JUNE 30, 1936

LIABILITIES		ASSETS	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Sundry Creditors	337 12 8	E. S. and A. Bank Ltd.	579 3 0
Reserve for Repairs, Replacements and depreciation on Rosetta Farm and Building	647 6 3	Hobart Savings Bank	69 7 5
Contingencies Reserve Account	182 15 0	Advance to Blind	10 0
Special Donation Fund	34 0 6	Investments—	
Capital Grant from State Government (Land and Buildings)	10,525 0 0	£14,720 Commonwealth Inscribed Stock (at cost)	£14,605 2 11
Elizabeth Fall Endowment Fund	3307 5 11	£3270 Commonwealth Inscribed Stock (re E. Fall Bequest) ..	3,307 5 11
Capital Account—		Loan on Mortgage	1,000 0 0
Balance July 1, 1935 £20,384 2 2		All Saints' Church De-benture	5 0 0
Add Surplus for Year 2,028 9 4	22,412 11 6	Hobart Corporation De-bentures	550 0 0
		Braille Writers' Asso-sociation	75 0 0
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		Add Interest Accrued ..	£19,542 8 10
			124 10 11
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		Sundry Debtors	676 13 5
		Less Doubtful Debts Re-serve	107 2 9
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			569 10 8

Outstanding Collections	Hobart	Rose	Day	59	10	1
Appeal						
Outstanding Parents Main-				17	0	10
tenance Fees				1	0	6
Less Reserve						
Outstanding Clothing Re-						
funds				35	18	7
Less Reserve				23	9	5
Stock on Hand re Welfare						
Blind				57	5	9
Stock on Hand				1630	4	7
Plant				35	17	9
Less 20% Depreciation				7	3	7
Office and Welfare Office						
Furniture				73	9	7
Less 10% Depreciation				7	6	11
Household Furniture				447	1	10
Less Depreciation				44	14	2
Rosetta Farm and House				3758	6	7
Rosetta Plant				5	0	0
Grants—Land and Build-						
ings. etc., North Hobart				10,525	0	0
				<u>£37,446</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>10</u>

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L. H. PAYNE,
Superintendent and Secretary.
Examined and Certified to be Correct—
FRED W. BATT,
for Auditor-General.
November, 23, 1936.

KENNETH A. OGILVY, Hon. Treasurer.
E. MORRIS MILLER, President.

Tasmanian Institution for the Blind, Deaf and Dumb

SUMMARY OF SUBSCRIPTIONS, DONATIONS, Etc.

(Excluding Legacies)

JULY 1, 1935, to JUNE 30, 1936.

(Inclusive)

MUNICIPALITY	Annual Quota	Amount Received			1935-36	Percentage of Quota Raised.
						Av. for 1925-36 10 years (excluding 1928-29)
	£	£	s.	d.		
Burnie	56	116	15	6	208.5	97.8
Glamorgan	12	24	13	5	205.6	60.6
Spring Bay	9	14	10	0	161.1	18.0
Table Cape	54	85	0	0	157.4	82.7
Longford	50	73	1	9	146.2	117.0
Hobart	744	910	4	5	122.3	95.4
Ross	16	18	14	10	117.1	149.7
Oatlands	37	41	10	8	112.3	41.8
Brighton	24	26	0	10	108.5	77.5
Westbury	46	48	19	1	106.4	99.5
Waratah	20	21	4	2	106.0	14.2
Penguin	24	25	3	6	104.9	60.1
Bothwell	22	23	0	8	104.7	106.4
Devonport	51	51	19	3	101.9	100.2
Evandale	30	30	6	8	101.1	59.5
Launceston	405	405	0	0	100.0	81.2
Port Cygnet	28	28	0	0	100.0	76.3
St. Leonards .. .	20	19	19	6	99.9	50.9
Fingal	32	30	10	6	95.4	85.5
Glenorchy	42	34	1	6	81.1	129.5
Richmond	18	14	10	0	80.6	61.4
Zeehan	30	23	19	9	80.0	14.1
Esperance	21	16	13	10	79.3	56.8
Beaconsfield .. .	30	23	0	0	76.7	52.3
Huon	50	37	5	11	74.3	42.4
Hamilton	30	21	15	11	72.7	95.3
Gormanston	17	12	2	3	71.3	58.5
Leven	45	30	3	8	67.1	69.2
Queenstown	37	24	8	5	66.0	77.8
Latrobe	36	23	10	7	65.4	73.0
Ringarooma	39	24	7	6	62.5	43.8
Campbell Town ..	30	13	14	3	45.7	59.1
Deloraine	53	18	5	9	34.5	56.7
Green Ponds .. .	16	5	3	1	32.2	71.6
Kingsborough .. .	34	10	12	5	31.2	20.8
Scottsdale	28	6	0	9	21.6	83.2
Strahan	21	4	5	7	20.4	15.9
Circular Head .. .	41	7	6	1	17.9	33.8
Kentish	47	6	18	6	14.7	70.9
Flinders	10	1	1	0	10.5	13.8
New Norfolk .. .	44	3	3	0	7.2	39.4
Clarence	20	1	0	0	5.0	68.9
Bruny	6	-	-	-	-	8.2
George Town .. .	12	-	-	-	-	71.2
King Island	15	-	-	-	-	7.8
Lilydale	24	-	-	-	-	9.1
Portland	15	-	-	-	-	9.2
Sorell	21	-	-	-	-	20.9
Tasman	6	-	-	-	-	13.4
Interstate	-	4	7	0	-	-

Tasmanian Blind Jubilee 1937



On 19th April, 1937, fifty years will have elapsed since the first work for the Blind was first organised in Tasmania.

Plans are being prepared for the occasion to be happily celebrated by

"SUNSHINE" WEEK

throughout Tasmania during the week ending Sunday, 26th April, 1937.

The co-operation of all friends and sympathisers is cordially invited

by encouraging and patronising any local celebration that may be arranged,

by making a special Jubilee Contribution towards the financial requirements of the Institution, either through Local Committees of Appeal,

and by encouraging and urging others to do likewise.

All amounts raised or contributed during Sunshine Week will be placed to the credit of the annual quota for the municipality concerned.

Although much has been accomplished much yet remains to be done